tories with weapons of mass destruction, ballistic missiles, or cruise missiles as of November 18, 1997, an estimate of how far in advance the United States is likely to be warned before such foreign country or non-State organization achieves that capability.

(8) For each foreign country or non-State organization that has not achieved the capability to target members of the United States Armed Forces deployed abroad with weapons of mass destruction, ballistic missiles, or cruise missiles as of November 18, 1997, an estimate of how far in advance the United States is likely to be warned before such foreign country or non-State organization achieves that capability.

#### (d) Classification

Each report under subsection (a) of this section shall be submitted in classified and unclassified form.

(Pub. L. 105–85, div. A, title II, §234, Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1664.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998, and not as part of the Defense Against Weapons of Mass Destruction Act of 1996 which comprises this chapter.

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# SUBCHAPTER I—ESTABLISHMENT AND ORGANIZATION

#### § 2401. Establishment and mission

#### (a) Establishment

There is established within the Department of Energy a separately organized agency to be known as the National Nuclear Security Administration (in this chapter referred to as the "Administration").

### (b) Mission

The mission of the Administration shall be the following:

- (1) To enhance United States national security through the military application of nuclear energy.
- (2) To maintain and enhance the safety, reliability, and performance of the United States nuclear weapons stockpile, including the ability to design, produce, and test, in order to meet national security requirements.
- (3) To provide the United States Navy with safe, militarily effective nuclear propulsion plants and to ensure the safe and reliable operation of those plants.
- (4) To promote international nuclear safety and nonproliferation.
- (5) To reduce global danger from weapons of mass destruction.
- (6) To support United States leadership in science and technology.

# (c) Operations and activities to be carried out consistent with certain principles

In carrying out the mission of the Administration, the Administrator shall ensure that all operations and activities of the Administration are consistent with the principles of protecting the environment and safeguarding the safety and health of the public and of the workforce of the Administration.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3211, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 957.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original "this title", meaning title XXXII of div. C of Pub. L. 106-65, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 953, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of title XXXII to the Code, see Short Title note set out below and Tables.

### EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 106–65, div. C, title XXXII,  $\S 3299$ , Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 971, provided that:

- "(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b), the provisions of this title [see Short Title note below] shall take effect on March 1, 2000.
- "(b) EXCEPTIONS.—(1) Sections 3202, 3204, 3251, 3295, and 3297 [enacting sections 2451 and 2483 of this title and sections 7144a to 7144c of Title 42, amending section 7132 of Title 42, and enacting provisions set out as a note below] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 5, 1999].

"(2) Sections 3234 and 3235 [enacting sections 2424 and 2425 of this title] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act. During the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on the effective date of this title, the Secretary of Energy shall carry out those sections and any reference in those sections to the Administrator and the Administration shall be treated as references to the Secretary and the Department of Energy, respectively."

#### SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3201, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 953, provided that: "This title [enacting this chapter and sections 7144 to 7144c of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, amending sections 5314, 5315, 5595, and 8905a of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, and sections 7132, 7133, and 7158 of Title 42, repealing sections 2122a, 7143, and 7271b of Title 42, enacting provisions set out as notes under this section, and amending provisions set out as a note under section 435 of this title] may be cited as the 'National Nuclear Security Administration Act'."

### REPORT CONTAINING IMPLEMENTATION PLAN OF SECRETARY OF ENERGY

Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3297, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 971, provided that: "Not later than January 1, 2000, the Secretary of Energy shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report containing the Secretary's plan for the implementation of the provisions of this title [see Short Title note set out above]."

### CLASSIFICATION IN UNITED STATES CODE

Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3298, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 971, provided that: "Subtitles A through F of this title [§§3211-3281, enacting this chapter and amending sections 5595 and 8905a of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees] (other than provisions of those subtitles amending existing provisions of law) shall be classified to the United States Code as a new chapter of title 50, United States Code."

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2464 of this title.

### § 2402. Administrator for Nuclear Security

### (a) In general

- (1) There is at the head of the Administration an Administrator for Nuclear Security (in this chapter referred to as the "Administrator").
- (2) Pursuant to subsection (c) of section 7132 of title 42, the Under Secretary for Nuclear Security of the Department of Energy serves as the Administrator.

### (b) Functions

The Administrator has authority over, and is responsible for, all programs and activities of the Administration (except for the functions of the Deputy Administrator for Naval Reactors specified in the Executive order referred to in section 2406(b) of this title), including the following:

- (1) Strategic management.
- (2) Policy development and guidance.

- (3) Budget formulation, guidance, and execution, and other financial matters.
- (4) Resource requirements determination and allocation.
  - (5) Program management and direction.
  - (6) Safeguards and security.
  - (7) Emergency management.
  - (8) Integrated safety management.
- (9) Environment, safety, and health operations.
- (10) Administration of contracts, including the management and operations of the nuclear weapons production facilities and the national security laboratories.
  - (11) Intelligence.
  - (12) Counterintelligence.
- (13) Personnel, including the selection, appointment, distribution, supervision, establishing of compensation, and separation of personnel in accordance with subchapter III of this chapter.
- (14) Procurement of services of experts and consultants in accordance with section 3109 of title 5
  - (15) Legal matters.
  - (16) Legislative affairs.
  - (17) Public affairs.
- (18) Liaison with other elements of the Department of Energy and with other Federal agencies, State, tribal, and local governments, and the public.

#### (c) Procurement authority

The Administrator is the senior procurement executive for the Administration for the purposes of section 414(3) of title 41.

#### (d) Policy authority

The Administrator may establish Administration-specific policies, unless disapproved by the Secretary of Energy.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3212, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 957.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in title 42 section 7132.

# § 2403. Status of Administration and contractor personnel within Department of Energy

### (a) Status of Administration personnel

Each officer or employee of the Administration, in carrying out any function of the Administration—

- (1) shall be responsible to and subject to the authority, direction, and control of—
  - (A) the Secretary acting through the Administrator and consistent with section 7132(c)(3) of title 42:
    - (B) the Administrator; or
  - (C) the Administrator's designee within the Administration; and
- (2) shall not be responsible to, or subject to the authority, direction, or control of, any other officer, employee, or agent of the Department of Energy.

### (b) Status of contractor personnel

Each officer or employee of a contractor of the Administration, in carrying out any function of the Administration, shall not be responsible to, or subject to the authority, direction, or control

of, any officer, employee, or agent of the Department of Energy who is not an employee of the Administration, except for the Secretary of Energy consistent with section 7132(c)(3) of title 42.

#### (c) Construction of section

Subsections (a) and (b) of this section may not be interpreted to in any way preclude or interfere with the communication of technical findings derived from, and in accord with, duly authorized activities between (1) the head, or any contractor employee, of a national security laboratory or of a nuclear weapons production facility, and (2) the Department of Energy, the President, or Congress.

(Pub. L. 106–65, div. C, title XXXII,  $\S 3213$ , Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 958.)

# § 2404. Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs

### (a) In general

There is in the Administration a Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, who is appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

#### (b) Duties

Subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Administrator, the Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the Administrator may prescribe, including the following:

- (1) Maintaining and enhancing the safety, reliability, and performance of the United States nuclear weapons stockpile, including the ability to design, produce, and test, in order to meet national security requirements.
- (2) Directing, managing, and overseeing the nuclear weapons production facilities and the national security laboratories.
- (3) Directing, managing, and overseeing assets to respond to incidents involving nuclear weapons and materials.

### (c) Relationship to laboratories and facilities

The head of each national security laboratory and nuclear weapons production facility shall, consistent with applicable contractual obligations, report to the Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3214, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 959.)

# § 2405. Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation

### (a) In general

There is in the Administration a Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, who is appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

### (b) Duties

Subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Administrator, the Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the Administrator may prescribe, including the following:

(1) Preventing the spread of materials, technology, and expertise relating to weapons of mass destruction

- (2) Detecting the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction worldwide.
- (3) Eliminating inventories of surplus fissile materials usable for nuclear weapons.
- (4) Providing for international nuclear safety.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3215, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 959.)

### § 2406. Deputy Administrator for Naval Reactors

### (a) In general

- (1) There is in the Administration a Deputy Administrator for Naval Reactors. The director of the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program provided for under the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Executive Order shall serve as the Deputy Administrator for Naval Reactors.
- (2) Within the Department of Energy, the Deputy Administrator shall report to the Secretary of Energy through the Administrator and shall have direct access to the Secretary and other senior officials in the Department.

#### (b) Duties

The Deputy Administrator shall be assigned the responsibilities, authorities, and accountability for all functions of the Office of Naval Reactors under the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Executive Order.

#### (c) Effect on Executive Order

Except as otherwise specified in this section and notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the provisions of the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Executive Order remain in full force and effect until changed by law.

### (d) Naval Nuclear Propulsion Executive Order

As used in this section, the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Executive Order is Executive Order No. 12344, dated February 1, 1982 (42 U.S.C. 7158 note) (as in force pursuant to section 1634 of the Department of Defense Authorization Act, 1985 (Public Law 98–525; 42 U.S.C. 7158 note)).

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3216, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 959.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2402 of this title.

### § 2407. General Counsel

There is a General Counsel of the Administration. The General Counsel is the chief legal officer of the Administration.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3217, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 960.)

### § 2408. Staff of Administration

### (a) In general

The Administrator shall maintain within the Administration sufficient staff to assist the Administrator in carrying out the duties and responsibilities of the Administrator.

### (b) Responsibilities

The staff of the Administration shall perform, in accordance with applicable law, such of the functions of the Administrator as the Administrator shall prescribe. The Administrator shall

assign to the staff responsibility for the following functions:

- (1) Personnel.
- (2) Legislative affairs.
- (3) Public affairs.
- (4) Liaison with other elements of the Department of Energy and with other Federal agencies, State, tribal, and local governments, and the public.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3218, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 960.)

# SUBCHAPTER II—MATTERS RELATING TO SECURITY

#### § 2421. Protection of national security information

### (a) Policies and procedures required

The Administrator shall establish procedures to ensure the maximum protection of classified information in the possession of the Administration

#### (b) Prompt reporting

The Administrator shall establish procedures to ensure prompt reporting to the Administrator of any significant problem, abuse, violation of law or Executive order, or deficiency relating to the management of classified information by personnel of the Administration.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3231, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 960.)

### § 2422. Office of Defense Nuclear Counterintelligence and Office of Defense Nuclear Security

### (a) Establishment

- (1) There are within the Administration—
- (A) an Office of Defense Nuclear Counter-intelligence; and
- (B) an Office of Defense Nuclear Security.
- (2) Each office established under paragraph (1) shall be headed by a Chief appointed by the Secretary of Energy. The Administrator shall recommend to the Secretary suitable candidates for each such position.

### (b) Chief of Defense Nuclear Counterintelligence

- (1) The head of the Office of Defense Nuclear Counterintelligence is the Chief of Defense Nuclear Counterintelligence, who shall report to the Administrator and shall implement the counterintelligence policies directed by the Secretary and Administrator.
- (2) The Secretary shall appoint the Chief, in consultation with the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, from among individuals who have special expertise in counterintelligence. If an individual to serve as the Chief of Defense Nuclear Counterintelligence is a Federal employee of an entity other than the Administration, the service of that employee as Chief shall not result in any loss of employment status, right, or privilege by that employee.
- (3) The Chief shall have direct access to the Secretary and all other officials of the Department and the contractors of the Department concerning counterintelligence matters.
  - (4) The Chief shall be responsible for-

- (A) the development and implementation of the counterintelligence programs of the Administration to prevent the disclosure or loss of classified or other sensitive information;
- (B) the development and administration of personnel assurance programs within the Administration.

#### (c) Chief of Defense Nuclear Security

- (1) The head of the Office of Defense Nuclear Security is the Chief of Defense Nuclear Security, who shall report to the Administrator and shall implement the security policies directed by the Secretary and Administrator.
- (2) The Chief shall have direct access to the Secretary and all other officials of the Department and the contractors of the Department concerning security matters.
- (3) The Chief shall be responsible for the development and implementation of security programs for the Administration, including the protection, control and accounting of materials, and for the physical and cyber security for all facilities of the Administration.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3232, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 960.)

### § 2423. Counterintelligence programs

# (a) National security laboratories and nuclear weapons production facilities

The Administrator shall, at each national security laboratory and nuclear weapons production facility, establish and maintain a counterintelligence program adequate to protect national security information at that laboratory or production facility.

### (b) Other facilities

The Administrator shall, at each Administration facility not described in subsection (a) of this section at which Restricted Data is located, assign an employee of the Office of Defense Nuclear Counterintelligence who shall be responsible for and assess counterintelligence matters at that facility.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3233, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 961.)

#### § 2424. Procedures relating to access by individuals to classified areas and information of Administration

The Administrator shall establish appropriate procedures to ensure that any individual is not permitted unescorted access to any classified area, or access to classified information, of the Administration until that individual has been verified to hold the appropriate security clearances.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3234, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 961.)

# § 2425. Government access to information on Administration computers

### (a) Procedures required

The Administrator shall establish procedures to govern access to information on Administration computers. Those procedures shall, at a minimum, provide that any individual who has access to information on an Administration computer shall be required as a condition of such access to provide to the Administrator written consent which permits access by an authorized investigative agency to any Administration computer used in the performance of the duties of such employee during the period of that individual's access to information on an Administration computer and for a period of three years thereafter.

# (b) Expectation of privacy in Administration computers

Notwithstanding any other provision of law (including any provision of law enacted by the Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 1986), no user of an Administration computer shall have any expectation of privacy in the use of that computer.

### (c) Definition

For purposes of this section, the term "authorized investigative agency" means an agency authorized by law or regulation to conduct a counterintelligence investigation or investigations of persons who are proposed for access to classified information to ascertain whether such persons satisfy the criteria for obtaining and retaining access to such information.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3235, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 961.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 1986, referred to in subsec. (b), is Pub. L. 99–508, Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 1848, as amended. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1986 Amendment note set out under section 2510 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, and Tables.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2483 of this title.

# § 2426. Congressional oversight of special access programs

### (a) Annual report on special access programs

- (1) Not later than February 1 of each year, the Administrator shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on special access programs of the Administration.
  - (2) Each such report shall set forth—
  - (A) the total amount requested for such programs in the President's budget for the next fiscal year submitted under section 1105 of title 31; and
  - (B) for each such program in that budget, the following:
    - (i) A brief description of the program.
    - (ii) A brief discussion of the major milestones established for the program.
  - (iii) The actual cost of the program for each fiscal year during which the program has been conducted before the fiscal year during which that budget is submitted.
  - (iv) The estimated total cost of the program and the estimated cost of the program for (I) the current fiscal year, (II) the fiscal year for which the budget is submitted, and (III) each of the four succeeding fiscal years during which the program is expected to be conducted.

### (b) Annual report on new special access programs

- (1) Not later than February 1 of each year, the Administrator shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that, with respect to each new special access program, provides—
- (A) notice of the designation of the program as a special access program; and
  - (B) justification for such designation.
- (2) A report under paragraph (1) with respect to a program shall include—
  - (A) the current estimate of the total program cost for the program; and
- (B) an identification of existing programs or technologies that are similar to the technology, or that have a mission similar to the mission, of the program that is the subject of the notice.
- (3) In this subsection, the term "new special access program" means a special access program that has not previously been covered in a notice and justification under this subsection.

### (c) Reports on changes in classification of special access programs

- (1) Whenever a change in the classification of a special access program of the Administration is planned to be made or whenever classified information concerning a special access program of the Administration is to be declassified and made public, the Administrator shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing a description of the proposed change, the reasons for the proposed change, and notice of any public announcement planned to be made with respect to the proposed change.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (3), any report referred to in paragraph (1) shall be submitted not less than 14 days before the date on which the proposed change or public announcement is to occur.
- (3) If the Administrator determines that because of exceptional circumstances the requirement of paragraph (2) cannot be met with respect to a proposed change or public announcement concerning a special access program of the Administration, the Administrator may submit the report required by paragraph (1) regarding the proposed change or public announcement at any time before the proposed change or public announcement is made and shall include in the report an explanation of the exceptional circumstances.

### (d) Notice of change in SAP designation criteria

Whenever there is a modification or termination of the policy and criteria used for designating a program of the Administration as a special access program, the Administrator shall promptly notify the congressional defense committees of such modification or termination. Any such notification shall contain the reasons for the modification or termination and, in the case of a modification, the provisions of the policy as modified.

### (e) Waiver authority

(1) The Administrator may waive any requirement under subsection (a), (b), or (c) of this section that certain information be included in a report under that subsection if the Adminis-

trator determines that inclusion of that information in the report would adversely affect the national security. The Administrator may waive the report-and-wait requirement in subsection (f) of this section if the Administrator determines that compliance with such requirement would adversely affect the national security. Any waiver under this paragraph shall be made on a case-by-case basis.

(2) If the Administrator exercises the authority provided under paragraph (1), the Administrator shall provide the information described in that subsection with respect to the special access program concerned, and the justification for the waiver, jointly to the chairman and ranking minority member of each of the congressional defense committees.

### (f) Report and wait for initiating new programs

A special access program may not be initiated until—

- (1) the congressional defense committees are notified of the program; and
- (2) a period of 30 days elapses after such notification is received.

(Pub. L. 106–65, div. C, title XXXII, §3236, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 962.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 2122a of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 106–65,  $\S 3294(e)(1)(A)$ .

### SUBCHAPTER III—MATTERS RELATING TO PERSONNEL

SUBCHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This subchapter is referred to in section 2402 of this title

# § 2441. Authority to establish certain scientific, engineering, and technical positions

The Administrator may, for the purposes of carrying out the responsibilities of the Administrator under this chapter, establish not more than 300 scientific, engineering, and technical positions in the Administration, appoint individuals to such positions, and fix the compensation of such individuals. Subject to the limitations in the preceding sentence, the authority of the Administrator to make appointments and fix compensation with respect to positions in the Administration under this section shall be equivalent to, and subject to the limitations of, the authority under section 2201(d) of title 42 to make appointments and fix compensation with respect to officers and employees described in such section.

(Pub. L. 106–65, div. C, title XXXII, §3241, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 964.)

### References in Text

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this title", meaning title XXXII of div. C of Pub. L. 106-65, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 953, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of title XXXII to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2401 of this title and Tables.

### § 2442. Voluntary early retirement authority

### (a) Authority

An employee of the Department of Energy who is separated from the service under conditions

described in subsection (b) of this section after completing 25 years of service or after becoming 50 years of age and completing 20 years of service is entitled to an annuity in accordance with the provisions in chapter 83 or 84 of title 5, as applicable.

#### (b) Conditions of separation

Subsection (a) of this section applies to an employee who—

- (1) has been employed continuously by the Department of Energy for more than 30 days before the date on which the Secretary of Energy makes the determination required under paragraph (4)(A);
- (2) is serving under an appointment that is not limited by time;
- (3) has not received a decision notice of involuntary separation for misconduct or unacceptable performance that is pending decision; and
- (4) is separated from the service voluntarily during a period with respect to which—
  - (A) the Secretary of Energy determines that the Department of Energy is undergoing a major reorganization as a result of the establishment of the National Nuclear Security Administration; and
  - (B) the employee is within the scope of an offer of voluntary early retirement (as defined by organizational unit, occupational series or level, geographical location, any other similar factor that the Office of Personnel Management determines appropriate, or any combination of such definitions of scope), as determined by the Secretary under regulations prescribed by the Office.

### (c) Treatment of employees

For purposes of chapters 83 and 84 of title 5 (including for purposes of computation of an annuity under such chapters), an employee entitled to an annuity under this section shall be treated as an employee entitled to an annuity under section 8336(d) or 8414(b) of such title, as applicable.

### (d) Definitions

As used in this section, the terms "employee" and "annuity"—

- (1) with respect to individuals covered by the Civil Service Retirement System established in subchapter III of chapter 83 of title 5 have the meaning of such terms as used in such chapter; and
- (2) with respect to individuals covered by the Federal Employees Retirement System established in chapter 84 of such title, have the meaning of such terms as used in such chapter.

### (e) Limitation and termination of authority

The authority provided in subsection (a) of this section—

- (1) may be applied with respect to a total of not more than 600 employees of the Department of Energy; and
  - (2) shall expire on September 30, 2003.

(Pub. L. 106–65, div. C, title XXXII,  $\S 3242$ , Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 964.)

SUBCHAPTER IV—BUDGET AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

#### § 2451. Separate treatment in budget

#### (a) President's budget

In each budget submitted by the President to the Congress under section 1105 of title 31, amounts requested for the Administration shall be set forth separately within the other amounts requested for the Department of Energy.

#### (b) Budget justification materials

In the budget justification materials submitted to Congress in support of each such budget, the amounts requested for the Administration shall be specified in individual, dedicated program elements.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3251, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 966.)

# § 2452. Planning, programming, and budgeting process

The Administrator shall establish procedures to ensure that the planning, programming, budgeting, and financial activities of the Administration comport with sound financial and fiscal management principles. Those procedures shall, at a minimum, provide for the planning, programming, and budgeting of activities of the Administration using funds that are available for obligation for a limited number of years.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, § 3252, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 966.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2483 of this title.

### § 2453. Future-years nuclear security program

### (a) Submission to Congress

The Administrator shall submit to Congress each year, at or about the time that the President's budget is submitted to Congress that year under section 1105(a) of title 31, a future-years nuclear security program (including associated annexes) reflecting the estimated expenditures and proposed appropriations included in that budget. Any such future-years nuclear security program shall cover the fiscal year with respect to which the budget is submitted and at least the four succeeding fiscal years.

### (b) Elements

Each future-years nuclear security program shall contain the following:

- (1) The estimated expenditures and proposed appropriations necessary to support the programs, projects, and activities of the Administration during the five-fiscal year period covered by the program, expressed in a level of detail comparable to that contained in the budget submitted by the President to Congress under section 1105 of title 31.
- (2) A description of the anticipated workload requirements for each Administration site during that five-fiscal year period.

### (c) Effect of budget on stockpile

The Administrator shall include in the materials the Administrator submits to Congress in support of the budget for any fiscal year that is

submitted by the President pursuant to section 1105 of title 31 a description of how the funds identified for each program element in the weapons activities budget of the Administration for such fiscal year will help ensure that the nuclear weapons stockpile is safe and reliable as determined in accordance with the criteria established under section 3158 of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (Public Law 105–261; 112 Stat. 2257; 42 U.S.C. 2121 note).

#### (d) Consistency in budgeting

- (1) The Administrator shall ensure that amounts described in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) for any fiscal year are consistent with amounts described in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) for that fiscal year.
- (2) Amounts referred to in paragraph (1) are the following:
  - (A) The amounts specified in program and budget information submitted to Congress by the Administrator in support of expenditure estimates and proposed appropriations in the budget submitted to Congress by the President under section 1105(a) of title 31 for any fiscal year, as shown in the future-years nuclear security program submitted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.
  - (B) The total amounts of estimated expenditures and proposed appropriations necessary to support the programs, projects, and activities of the Administration included pursuant to paragraph (5) of section 1105(a) of such title in the budget submitted to Congress under that section for any fiscal year.

#### (e) Treatment of management contingencies

Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the inclusion in the future-years nuclear security program of amounts for management contingencies, subject to the requirements of subsection (d) of this section.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, § 3253, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 966.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2483 of this title.

# SUBCHAPTER V—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

# § 2461. Environmental protection, safety, and health requirements

### (a) Compliance required

The Administrator shall ensure that the Administration complies with all applicable environmental, safety, and health statutes and substantive requirements.

### (b) Procedures required

The Administrator shall develop procedures for meeting such requirements.

### (c) Rule of construction

Nothing in this chapter shall diminish the authority of the Secretary of Energy to ascertain and ensure that such compliance occurs.

(Pub. L. 106–65, div. C, title XXXII, §3261, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 967.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (c), was in the original "this title", meaning title XXXII of div. C of

Pub. L. 106-65, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 953, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of title XXXII to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2401 of this title and Tables.

#### § 2462. Compliance with Federal Acquisition Regulation

The Administrator shall establish procedures to ensure that the mission and programs of the Administration are executed in full compliance with all applicable provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulation issued pursuant to the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 401 et seq.).

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3262, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 967.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 93–400, Aug. 30, 1974, 88 Stat. 796, as amended, which is classified principally to chapter 7 (§ 401 et seq.) of Title 41, Public Contracts. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 401 of Title 41 and Tables.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2483 of this title.

# § 2463. Sharing of technology with Department of Defense

The Administrator shall, in cooperation with the Secretary of Defense, establish procedures and programs to provide for the sharing of technology, technical capability, and expertise between the Administration and the Department of Defense to further national security objectives

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3263, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 967.)

# § 2464. Use of capabilities of national security laboratories by entities outside the Administration

The Secretary, in consultation with the Administrator, shall establish appropriate procedures to provide for the use, in a manner consistent with the national security mission of the Administration under section 2401(b) of this title, of the capabilities of the national security laboratories by elements of the Department of Energy not within the Administration, other Federal agencies, and other appropriate entities, including the use of those capabilities to support efforts to defend against weapons of mass destruction.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3264, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 967.)

### SUBCHAPTER VI—DEFINITIONS

### § 2471. Definitions

For purposes of this chapter:

- (1) The term "national security laboratory" means any of the following:
  - (A) Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico.
  - (B) Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Livermore, California.

- (C) Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, California.
- (2) The term "nuclear weapons production facility" means any of the following:
  - (A) The Kansas City Plant, Kansas City, Missouri.
    - (B) The Pantex Plant, Amarillo, Texas.
    - (C) The Y-12 Plant, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.
  - (D) The tritium operations facilities at the Savannah River Site, Aiken, South Carolina.
    - (E) The Nevada Test Site, Nevada.
  - (F) Any facility of the Department of Energy that the Secretary of Energy, in consultation with the Administrator and the Congress, determines to be consistent with the mission of the Administration.
- (3) The term "classified information" means any information that has been determined pursuant to Executive Order No. 12333 of December 4, 1981 (50 U.S.C. 401 note), Executive Order No. 12958 of April 17, 1995 (50 U.S.C. 435 note), or successor orders, to require protection against unauthorized disclosure and that is so designated.
- (4) The term "Restricted Data" has the meaning given such term in section 2014(y) of title 42.
- (5) The term "congressional defense committees" means—
  - (A) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate: and
  - (B) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3281, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 968.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this title", meaning title XXXII of div. C of Pub. L. 106-65, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 953, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of title XXXII to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2401 of this title and Tables.

# SUBCHAPTER VII—TRANSITION PROVISIONS

### § 2481. Functions transferred

### (a) Transfers

There are hereby transferred to the Administrator all national security functions and activities performed immediately before October 5, 1999, by the following elements of the Department of Energy:

- (1) The Office of Defense Programs.
- (2) The Office of Nonproliferation and National Security.
- (3) The Office of Fissile Materials Disposition.
- (4) The nuclear weapons production facili-
  - (5) The national security laboratories.
  - (6) The Office of Naval Reactors.

### (b) Authority to transfer additional functions

The Secretary of Energy may transfer to the Administrator any other facility, mission, or function that the Secretary, in consultation with the Administrator and Congress, determines to be consistent with the mission of the Administration.

# (c) Environmental remediation and waste management activities

In the case of any environmental remediation and waste management activity of any element specified in subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary of Energy may determine to transfer responsibility for that activity to another element of the Department.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3291, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 968.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2484 of this title.

### § 2482. Transfer of funds and employees

#### (a) Transfer of funds

- (1) Any balance of appropriations that the Secretary of Energy determines is available and needed to finance or discharge a function, power, or duty or an activity that is transferred to the Administration shall be transferred to the Administration and used for any purpose for which those appropriations were originally available. Balances of appropriations so transferred shall—
  - (A) be credited to any applicable appropriation account of the Administration; or
  - (B) be credited to a new account that may be established on the books of the Department of the Treasury:

and shall be merged with the funds already credited to that account and accounted for as one fund

(2) Balances of appropriations credited to an account under paragraph (1)(A) are subject only to such limitations as are specifically applicable to that account. Balances of appropriations credited to an account under paragraph (1)(B) are subject only to such limitations as are applicable to the appropriations from which they are transferred.

### (b) Personnel

- (1) With respect to any function, power, or duty or activity of the Department of Energy that is transferred to the Administration, those employees of the element of the Department of Energy from which the transfer is made that the Secretary of Energy determines are needed to perform that function, power, or duty, or for that activity, as the case may be, shall be transferred to the Administration.
- (2) The authorized strength in civilian employees of any element of the Department of Energy from which employees are transferred under this section is reduced by the number of employees so transferred.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3292, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 969.)

### § 2483. Transition provisions

### (a) Compliance with financial principles

(1) The Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security shall ensure that the compliance with sound financial and fiscal management principles specified in section 2452 of this title is achieved not later than October 1, 2000.

- (2) In carrying out paragraph (1), the Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security shall conduct a review and develop a plan to bring applicable activities of the Administration into full compliance with those principles not later than such date.
- (3) Not later than January 1, 2000, the Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing the results of that review and a description of that plan.

# (b) Initial report for future-years nuclear security program

The first report under section 2453 of this title shall be submitted in conjunction with the budget submitted for fiscal year 2001.

### (c) Procedures for computer access

The regulations to implement the procedures under section 2425 of this title shall be prescribed not later than 90 days after the effective date of this chapter.

### (d) Compliance with FAR

- (1) The Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security shall ensure that the compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation specified in section 2462 of this title is achieved not later than October 1, 2000.
- (2) In carrying out paragraph (1), the Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security shall conduct a review and develop a plan to bring applicable activities of the Administration into full compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation not later than such date.

(3) Not later than January 1, 2000, the Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing the results of that review and a description of that plan.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, § 3295, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 970.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

For effective date of this chapter, referred to in subsec. (c), see section 3299 of Pub. L. 106-65, set out as an Effective Date note under section 2401 of this title.

#### § 2484. Applicability of preexisting laws and regulations

Unless otherwise provided in this chapter, all provisions of law and regulations in effect immediately before the effective date of this chapter that are applicable to functions of the Department of Energy specified in section 2481 of this title shall continue to apply to the corresponding functions of the Administration.

(Pub. L. 106–65, div. C, title XXXII, §3296, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 971.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

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